



MOUNT PLEASANT

MUSEUM ELIZABETH SEMILLON 1999

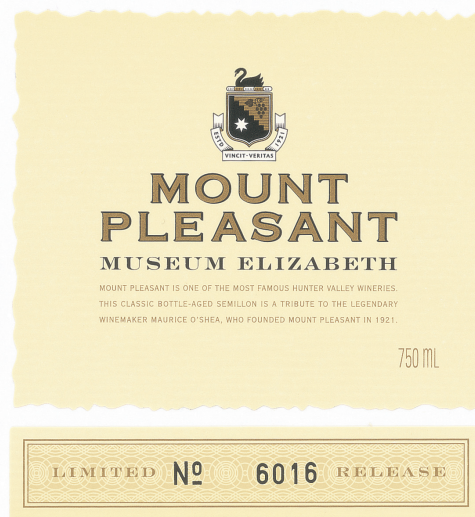
Mount Pleasant is situated on the slopes of the Brokenback Range in the Hunter Valley, NSW. The estate was established in 1921 by the legendary winemaker Maurice O'Shea who recognised the special characteristics and longevity of Hunter Valley table wines. To this day, Mount Pleasant continues to bottle-age commercial quantities of wines until they are considered at their peak to release.

Vineyard Region Hunter Valley, NSW

Vineyard Conditions Rain periods during spring and early summer, coupled with unseasonably cool weather, produced even flowering and fruit set. The 1999 vintage produced whites with great depth of flavour supported by excellent acidity, giving the final wines good length and maturing potential.

Grape Variety 100 per cent Semillon

Vinification & Maturation After crushing and de-stemming, the must was chilled and the juice drained off. After cold settling for 48 hours, the clear juice was racked, warmed, inoculated with a neutral yeast and allowed to ferment slowly at a cool temperature (14°C) for a period of three weeks. One month following fermentation, the wine was blended, filtered, stabilised and bottled. Handling of this wine has been kept to a minimum to protect its delicate, pure fruit flavours.



Winemaker Phil Ryan's Comments:

Colour Medium straw with hints of yellow.

Aroma A beautiful example of aged Hunter Valley Semillon with complex aromas of lanolin, lemon rind and vanillin, overlaid with varietal cut straw and hay characters.

Palate A beautifully concentrated and vibrant palate showing all the hallmarks of aged Hunter Semillon; lanolin, lemon curd, vanillin and hints of toast. The elegant wine has good mid palate weight and as it matures it will continue to develop honey and roasted nut-like flavours.

Chef Peter Howard's Serving Suggestions

Roasted Chicken, seasonal vegetables & Semillon Pan juices; Blue Eye on Potato & Kumera mash, broccoli, Lemon Beurre Blanc

Wine Analysis Alc/Vol: 11.0% pH: 3.10 TA: 6.50 g/L

Last tasted July 2007

Peak Drinking Drinking beautifully now through until 2013 and beyond with careful cellaring.

Show Awards



Gold Medal, 2000 Cowra Wine Show, Class 11



Gold Medal, 2003 Perth Royal Wine Show, Class 26



Gold Medal, 2003 Hobart Wine Show, Class 25



Gold Medal, 2003 National Wine Show, Class 49

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